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The Honorable William J. Casey  
Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

For nearly four decades, reports of the impending demise of the Western alliance have tended to be greatly exaggerated. Despite the alliance's resilience, however, the broad range of enduring and emerging challenges are not slackening and, in some areas, are increasing. It may well be that at this juncture, the political basis for the alliance can be most effectively reinforced through Western economic initiatives.

Previous CSIS Contingency Papers have addressed the nature and future of the Western alliance. In this paper, John Yochelson, Director of International Business and Economics at CSIS, analyzes the trends in the world economy and applies those findings in prescribing certain policy actions for the alliance. Regardless of whether or not the alliance can best be reinforced through economic initiatives, John proposes an important economic and political context for the May summit meeting in Bonn and beyond.

Sincerely,

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